

Amendments to the Specification

Please add the following new heading before paragraph [0002]:

BACKGROUND

Please add the following new heading before paragraph [0006]:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Please replace paragraph [0006] with the following amended paragraph:

[0006] ~~The~~ An object of the present invention is ~~therefore~~ to design a scouring body of the type named in the preamble in such a way that the material weakening occurring during the thermal molding for embossing the surface is reduced to a minimum.

Please replace paragraph [0007] with the following amended paragraph:

[0007] ~~This object is achieved according to the~~ The present invention provides a scouring body having a surface embossed by thermal molding and made of a textile material of woven or non-woven fibers which is coated using a binder hardened by thermal treatment, wherein by the fact that at least part of the fibers has a crimping of more than 10 arcs per inch and a fiber length of at least 90 mm.

Please delete paragraph [0011]

Please replace paragraph [0012] with the following amended paragraph:

[0012] The present invention also relates to a method for manufacturing a scouring body ~~according to one of Patent Claims 1 through 10~~ having a surface embossed by thermal molding, to which a hardenable binder is being applied, at least on one side, to a material web made from textile material having at least part of the fibers crimped with more than 10 arcs per inch and having a fiber length of at least 90 mm, and the material web being subsequently continuously guided through at least one heating zone.

Please add the following new heading before paragraph [0014]: